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*Dear Respondent:*

*This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the Statewide results of the May Cattle on Feed Survey.*

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*Sincerely,*

*William R. Meyer  
Director*

### Idaho Cattle On Feed Down 4 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on May 1, 2008 totaled 225,000 head, 4 percent below the May 1, 2007 inventory. The cattle on feed inventory was down 5,000 head from the number on feed April 1, 2008. Placements of cattle in State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during April totaled 28,000 head, down 20 percent from April 2007 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during April totaled 32,000 head, down 8,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during April, down 4,000 head from April 2007.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.1 million head on May 1, 2008. The inventory was 1 percent below May 1, 2007 and 4 percent below May 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.54 million, 2 percent below 2007 and 5 percent below 2006. Net placements were 1.46 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 315,000, 600-699 pounds were 278,000, 700-799 pounds were 428,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 515,000. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 2.01 million, 11 percent above 2007 and 13 percent above 2006. This is the highest fed cattle marketings for the month of April since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 75,000 during April, 24 percent below 2007 and 14 percent below 2006.

### Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1/</sup>

State	May 1, 2007	April 1, 2008	May 1, 2008		
			Number	As % of 2007	As % of April
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	340	374	370	109	99
California	550	530	520	95	98
Colorado	1,020	1,020	950	93	93
Idaho	235	230	225	96	98
Iowa	530	550	530	100	96
Kansas	2,350	2,420	2,290	97	95
Nebraska	2,420	2,450	2,380	98	97
New Mexico	118	158	150	127	95
Oklahoma	335	340	305	91	90
South Dakota	230	225	220	96	98
Texas	2,680	2,880	2,690	100	93
Washington	154	152	155	101	102
Other States	335	355	350	104	99
United States	11,297	11,684	11,135	99	95

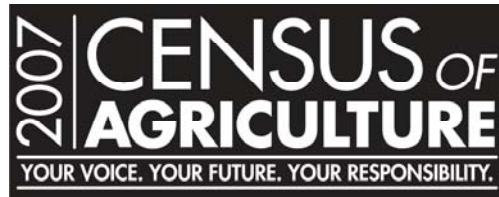
<sup>1/</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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